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Honorable Tony Grippa Chairman, Board of County Commissioners 301 South Monroe Street, Suite 501 Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear Chairman Grippa,

On behalf of our students and their parents, I extend our appreciation once again to the Board Of County Commissioners and your staff for your support of our Drivers Education program through the Dori Slosberg fund. Mr. Ben Pingree has been especially helpful. The funds received (\$48,000) were used to partially fund the purchase of vehicles for use at our five high schools. Four 2004 Dodge Status cars were purchased for a total of \$53,348,00 using the Florida Sheriff's vehicle bid #02-01-0826. The addition of these vehicles will increase "behind the wheel" driving time by 35%. Approximately 430 students will be served this semester. The benchmarks that we provided your Board have and will be met.

With continued funding from the Dori Slosberg source, we anticipate the purchase of an additional vehicle as well as computer driving simulators for our high schools.

I appreciate the excellent working relationship we have with your Board. Together we can continue to provide the very best of services to our citizens.

Sincerely.

William J. Montford

Superintendent

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